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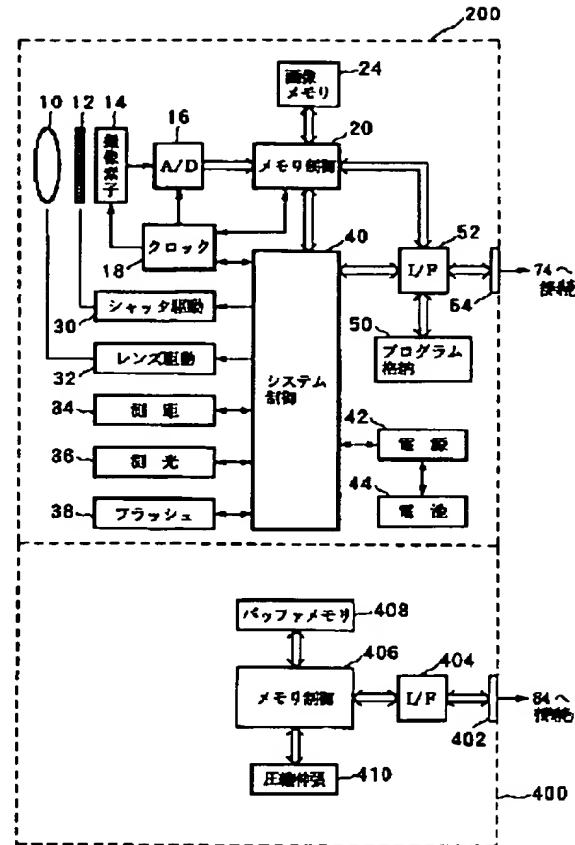
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TITLE : IMAGE PICKUP SYSTEM



**ABSTRACT :** PURPOSE: To provide the inexpensive image pickup device body capable of image processing according to its uses by a method wherein an image processing unit, a body separate from the image pickup device and detachable, is mounted on an information processing unit such as a portable computer so as to implement the processing according to the uses.

CONSTITUTION: A removable image processing unit 400 being a separate body from an image pickup device 200 is mounted on an information processing unit such as a portable computer and makes processing according to its uses. The information processing unit is provided with an operation means entering a command for a prescribed operation for an image pickup system externally, a display means displaying the operating state of the image pickup system, a storage means storing prescribed information, and a control means controlling the operation of the image pickup system. The image pickup device 200 is detachably connected to the information processing unit. The picture processing unit 400 is provided with a photocoupler expansion means 410 such as a card of the PCMCIA specifications, is connected to the information processing unit detachably and applies prescribed processing to the image information received from the image pickup device 200.

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